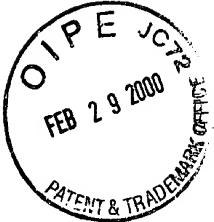


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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 through § 1.99, and being within the time constraints of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (c), and pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully bring the following documents listed on the form PTO-1449 attached herewith to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application.

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